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Columbus Division of Police Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

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Date: 11/27/2020

Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide Date: 11/27/2020 Time: 5:40PM

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Location of Offense/Incident: 1937 E. Livingston Ave.	Zone: 5		Precinct: 11
Incident Report #: 200891571	Cruiser Dis	strict: 112	
Victim: Cortez Townsend (Deceased)	Sex: Male	Race: Black	Age: 28
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On Friday, November 27, 2020, at 5:40PM, Columbus Police Officers were called to the 1937 E. Livingston Ave. on a report of a shooting. On arrival, officers found Mr. Cortez Townsend suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. CFD Medic 15 responded to the scene and transported Mr. Townsend to Grant Medical Center in critical condition where he was pronounced deceased by attending physicians at 6:16PM. The investigation revealed that Mr. Townsend was standing outside the business at 1937 E. Livingston Ave. when he was shot. After being shot, Mr. Townsend stumbled into the business where he collapsed.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). This is the 150th homicide investigation and the 149th homicide in Columbus Ohio in Calendar Year 2020. Incident #200891571. Detective Close is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Titus.

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